

Antimicrobial Stewardship Certificate Program

The North Dakota Department of Health Division of Disease Control and North Dakota State University are excited to announce an opportunity for pharmacists to complete the Antimicrobial Stewardship Certificate Program (ASP).

This innovative and intensive practice-based activity for pharmacists focuses on the pharmacist's role in the area of appropriate use of antimicrobial agents. The certificate program, which emphasizes a health care team approach, seeks to foster the development of a strong knowledgebase in microbiology, pharmacology and disease state management in order to successfully implement an antibiotic stewardship program that will improve patient care, reduce healthcare expenditures and potentially reduce rates of resistance and prolong the longevity of the limited number of antimicrobial agents available to treat infections. Completion of the program will lead to certification through the Society of Infectious Disease Pharmacists.

The certification will be offered to pharmacists at no cost. The certification includes the opportunity to earn up to 4.3 CEUs. Pharmacists must be practicing in the state of North Dakota to be eligible for the training.

Pharmacists must start the certificate program by July 15, 2018 and complete it by July 15, 2019. Preference will be given to pharmacists that work in long-term care facilities, critical access hospitals, those working on antimicrobial stewardship, and those working in multiple facilities.

Interested pharmacists must complete the attached application and return it to Kylie Hall by **5 p.m. on June 8, 2018**. Pharmacists selected to complete the training will be notified no later than **June 15, 2018**.

If you have any questions, please contact Kylie Hall, Project Coordinator in the NDSU Department of Public Health, at 701-231-6262 or by emailing kylie.hall@ndsu.edu.

Name: _____ Pharmacist License #: _____

Please select the type(s) of pharmacy you practice at or offer pharmacy services:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Long-term care facility | <input type="checkbox"/> Critical Access Hospital (CAH) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hospital (other than CAH) | <input type="checkbox"/> Institutional pharmacy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Retail/community pharmacy | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: please specify _____ |

1) Please list the location(s) of the pharmacy you practice at or offer pharmacy services:

2) In your current role, do you assist with antimicrobial stewardship initiatives?

Yes No

If yes, please explain.

3) Are you willing to work with long-term care facilities or critical access hospitals on antimicrobial stewardship, even if you are not currently doing so? Yes No

If yes, briefly explain how you would see yourself assisting these facilities in their antimicrobial stewardship programs.

4) In 3-5 sentences, please tell us why you would like to become certified in antimicrobial stewardship?